

CRIMINALS WELL ORGANIZED; DEMAND FOR MILITIA

don of gratuitous and scathing denunciation of the crime conditions in this city, bringing everything but a formal demand for Enright's resignation. Chief Magistrate William McAdoo and Judge Rosalovsky of the criminal bench protested against such a situation, the latter recommending the organization of a citizens' posse of 25,000; women's organizations asked that the militia be called out; merchants' associations and chambers of commerce called meetings to provide protection.

The Mayor's statement is as follows: "The police of the city are using of life and property. There is throughout the country at the present time a great criminal army who are not what means they use to play their nefarious trade. Life means nothing to them in their pursuit for ill gotten wealth. As the outgrowth of the war many persons of criminal tendencies have been educated in the use of firearms and have little regard for human life. The criminal class has unfortunately been augmented from those who seek the easy method of getting money in preference to daily labor. This condition applies not only to New York, but to every city throughout the United States.

"I urge upon the citizens of New York to give their full cooperation and aid to the Police Department of the city. The department is fully capable to meet and compete with the crime that is prevalent throughout the city.

"Let me urge upon the Judges of the criminal courts prompt and speedy trial of the criminals brought before them, and where found guilty prompt and severe sentences should be imposed.

"The professional criminals find it too easy a matter to be admitted to the courts. I am informed that there are cases pending and awaiting trial of criminals who have been arrested, released on bail and then re-arrested for other crimes, whose cases are still awaiting trial.

Advice to Merchants.

"Merchants in this city who in the course of their daily business are compelled to handle large sums of money and other valuable property which must be transported through the streets of the city should notify the police precinct in which the business is conducted of the transmission of such money or valuables and the time and place of delivery of same.

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Mrs. James Griswold Wentz, representing the Women's Republican Club, of which she is president, sent appeals yesterday to the Mayor and the Police Commissioner asking that they "call out the militia and put this city under martial law until law and order are assured." Mrs. Wentz was particularly incensed at the murder of Mr. Andrews, who was a personal friend and to whom she had introduced Miss Lawson, who subsequently became Mrs. Andrews.

"The experience of Mrs. Ellen O'Grady," Mrs. Wentz added, "proves that violence being protected and her resignation constitutes another ground for our protest."

Because the resolutions of the Sterling Silver Manufacturers Association, asking the Governor to cause city officials to protect them from such outrages as the murder and robbery of Edwin W. Andrews, Fifth Avenue jeweler, had not reached him, Governor Smith declined to make any comment on the New York situation yesterday.

"I shall not discuss any matter that is not officially before me," was the Governor's reply to questions regarding what action he might take in response to the request of the jewellers.

Man With Gun Taken as He Eyes Tiffany's

WITH his coat pocket sagging from the weight of a .38 calibre automatic pistol and his waist encircled by a belt containing thirteen cartridges, Vincenzo Esposito, an Italian, unable to speak English, was arrested last night by Patrolman Floyd Hamilton at Fifth Avenue and Thirty-seventh street, opposite Tiffany's. He was taken to the West Thirtieth street station and later to Police Headquarters.

Patrolman Hamilton saw the man walk back and forth across the street from the big jewelry store. He noticed the bulging pocket and ran across the street. Esposito started to run, but Hamilton caught him. Esposito told an interpreter that he had just come from Chicago, but refused to say why he had the gun.

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them. By so doing, they said, the bandits will keep away if they have good sense and respect for their hides, as the men who will use these weapons in the case of a holdup are mostly former soldiers who have been "over the top" and their employers say they are ready to go over again if need be.

Although Inspector Coughlin, head of the Detective Division, said no inventory of the jewelry lost in the Andrews hold-up had been turned over to him, it was learned from a police source that one has. Detectives working on the murder asserted the \$200,000 quoted in the morning newspapers yesterday was a gross exaggeration, but jewellers who are in a position to know declared that the loss of Andrews & Winston alone would equal that figure, over and above that are the losses of Vincent Provenzano and Arthur Merz, the salesmen who were bound and gagged by the robbers, which totalled another \$40,000.

Andrews & Winston were not the only Fifth Avenue jewelry concern to suffer a loss in the holdup. Indirectly other jewelers in the city have been affected. The transmission of such money or valuables and the time and place of delivery of same.

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FEED WIRE IS BLOCKED TO HOLD UP TROLLEY

Jersey Robbers, Insisting on Cash Only, Get \$500.

Bandits in New Jersey reached the stage last night where robbers undertook the blocking of an overhead feed wire in a lonely section near Elizabeth to make the isolation of their victims certain.

Three masked men halted a one man surface car on the line between Elizabeth and Springfield at midnight. They threatened the twenty men and women passengers with revolvers and searched their pockets and pocketbooks. The total of the losses was \$500.

The holdup occurred at a point where the right of way passes through an open field. As the pole skidded off the overhead wire the passengers instinctively scattered their money and valuables. They scarcely had finished when a man jumped on the running board.

"One move and we begin to shoot," he remarked.

With the aid of a flashlight he started through the car. One of the two guards helped him. The third stood guard. When a woman, terror-stricken, offered her diamond earrings, they were thrust aside.

"None of them for us," she was told, "we want only cash."

U. S. MAIL ARRESTS ABROAD.

VENICE, Dec. 17.—Several postal officials in Budapest have been arrested in connection with thefts from American mail, says a despatch from Budapest to-day. About \$200,000 has been stolen from American letters, the despatch states.

POLICE HOSPITAL DRIVE CALLED OFF

Campaign Deferred 'Because of Extraordinary Financial and Business Conditions.'

CAMPAIGN IS REHEARSED

Committee Explains Project Was Non-Political and Non-Sectarian.

The newspapers this morning publish large advertisements announcing that because of the "extraordinary financial and business conditions which have developed in the last few weeks it has been decided to defer any active campaign for the Police Hospital Fund." The advertisement also declares that it is "due the people of New York to give them a presentation of the facts about the police hospital."

The advertisement says: "The Police Hospital is wholly independent of any control of the Police Department, its Commissioner or any of its membership.

"The officers, directors, honorary committee and honorary members include the names of many men prominent in the business and social life of the city and the nation. These names in themselves should be an assurance of the successful and efficient management of any undertaking.

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"The Police Hospital was considered a necessary long delayed, and of the million dollars estimated as necessary to provide it, approximately three million dollars would be required for the site, the buildings and the equipment; the remainder to be used as an endowment fund for the maintenance of the hospital.

"The services of all persons in connection with the raising of funds, purchase of property, purchase of publicity, were to be rendered free and without charge—crediting any and all commissions to the fund."

The Enright forces won a complete victory at the elections held last night by the Police Lieutenants' Benevolent Association at the Police Club, in Riverside Drive. A resolution was adopted unanimously in favor of the police hospital, and the Enright candidates for the presidency and the first vice-presidency, John H. Ayres and Harry Eason, won by big margins. There was no opposition to William P. Brennan for second vice-president or William M. Estabrook for secretary-treasurer. A sharp contest for recorder was won by Francis J. Finn, also credited to the Enright forces.

Resolutions were adopted upon the death of Lieut. Floyd Horton, who was shot to death by taxicab bandits. Lieut. Horton was not a member of the association. A committee was appointed to attend the funeral.

THEFT OF \$200,000 CHARGED TO BANKER

Treasurer of Wilmington Institution Is Held.

WILMINGTON, Del., Dec. 17.—William Bush, widely known resident of this city, and well connected socially, is in the New Castle County Workhouse tonight charged with the embezzlement of \$200,000 in securities of the Wilmington Savings Fund Society, of which he was secretary-treasurer. Bush was committed to-day in default of \$100,000 bail to await the action of the Grand Jury.

Officers of the Savings Fund Society said the securities were hypothecated with a Wilmington brokerage firm to cover stock market speculations. Bush, the bank officials say, made a statement admitting his irregularities.

"Discovery of the alleged embezzlement was made a week ago by auditors, according to a statement issued by Frederick M. Stone, president of the society, which is nearly 100 years old, and has sound assets of more than \$15,000,000.

BAYONNE POLICEMAN KILLED.

Patrolman Thomas Hunter of Bayonne, N. J., was killed last night when a patrol wagon in which he was riding struck an automobile at Twenty-sixth and Broadway, Bayonne, a block from Police Headquarters.

MILLER CONSIDERS ACTION ON CRIME WAVE IN CITY

Governor-Elect Says It Is Becoming a Serious Matter—Expected to Take It Up in First Message.

Governor-elect Nathan L. Miller, it was learned last night, is considering taking cognizance in his first message of the unprecedented wave of crime that has been spreading unchecked over New York city. In just what way he may handle the subject is not yet clear. However, the Governor has the power of removal over a Police Commissioner and Sheriffs, which would give him the right to warn them about the prevalence of crime in their districts and to threaten some action in case dereliction of duty could be properly charged.

Judge Miller was not inclined to discuss the matter last night. At first when he crumpled in a heap against the cushions of the trolley. But before he relaxed his finger pulled the trigger of his revolver for the last time and Horton fell to the pavement.

The police instinct was strong in the wounded lieutenant and his eyes focused on the rapidly disappearing tail light of the automobile and the license tag that it dimly illuminated. He managed to pull a pencil from his pocket. He fumbled for a pencil, found it, and jotted down the figures he saw—077824. Then Horton sank back unconscious. An ambulance hurried him to the Columbus Hospital, where he died a little more than two hours later. He was too weak to talk to the detectives who went there, but he gave them the memorandum he had made.

The general alarm for the motor car was flashed out over the police wires immediately. After Postmaster Benker's car on Beach street and Nicholas was arrested the detectives hurried to the Hamilton place address, where they found the revolver they say caused Horton's death. Cavanaugh, the police declare, took it from Mrs. Brooks, who became hysterical when she got home after the shooting and threatened to kill herself "if there were more carriages." The revolver was found in the bathroom tank, where the police say Cavanaugh threw it to keep it away from Mrs. Brooks. According to her statement, Cavanaugh was with the party during the time they were drinking in the Amsterdam avenue saloon before the shooting. But he did not enter the automobile when they left.

Mrs. Brooks, who has been living at the 14th street address for the last two months, refused last night to give her husband's name to the police. She said he was ill in a hospital in a Western city and that she didn't want to embarrass him. He frequently visited her in her apartment, according to Supt. Miller. Mrs. Brooks became hysterical when her examination at Police Headquarters.

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DYING VICTIM HELPS IN ARREST OF THREE

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of this automobile party to 540 West 14th street just before the shooting.

Mrs. Brooks formerly lived there and moved on Thursday at the request of Edward Miller, the superintendent. Cavanaugh until recently was the superintendent of the apartment house, the police were told, and when Mrs. Brooks appealed to him to help her find a place in which to live he directed her to the furnished room house at 53 Hamilton place, where he himself was staying.

Nicholas Loresch owns an automobile in which he takes parties for hire, although he does not operate it as a taxicab. He has known Mrs. Brooks for some time and has frequently taken her for rides. On Thursday afternoon he came to Manhattan from Brooklyn in his car, and he and Cavanaugh helped Mrs. Brooks move her belongings to the Hamilton place address.

During the several trips made between the two houses with Mrs. Brooks's belongings she recounted to the men, so their stories to the police ran, a tale of improper advances and indignities which she said she had been subjected to by Tyler Hairston, the negro elevator boy at 540 West 14th street. Nicholas telephoned to his brother Joe, who joined the party, and the three men and Mrs. Brooks went to a saloon on Amsterdam avenue near 14th street, where, they told the police, they had many drinks. It was about midnight when they entered Nicholas's motor car, drove down Amsterdam avenue and turned west on 14th street toward Broadway.

"Stop the car. I want to get out and see a friend," Mrs. Brooks declared Joe said when the machine was opposite her former home. Nicholas stopped and Joe entered the building, presumably, the police say, seeking vengeance on the negro elevator boy. Hairston, for his reported indignities to Mrs. Brooks, and also nursing a grudge against Miller, the superintendent, who had ordered her to move out of the house.

According to the police Hairston saw Loresch coming down the hill toward him with a revolver, and thrusting his hands in his pockets he drew out a cheap gunmetal watch and \$2—all the money he had—and handed them over. Loresch took them without a word. At this juncture Miller appeared in the door of his apartment on the ground floor and started forward. Loresch fired once at him and missed. Then he backed out of the building and leaped into the waiting motor car, which his brother Nicholas and Mrs. Brooks were seated in.

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CHASE LANDS THREE IN \$4,400 HOLDUP

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As soon as the three men left the office Miss Krowitz gave the alarm, and half a dozen employees of the plant ran into the street and jumped into an automobile owned and driven by John Gillespie of Lakeview, N. J. Gillespie set out at once in pursuit of the robbers and followed close behind them as their car turned into the Hazel road.

Gillespie was only a few feet behind them with his machine, and when the bandits slowed down to pass a heavy wagon at Main and Plaget avenues Gillespie drove his machine at full speed into the rear of the other car. The bandits' automobile turned upside down, throwing the four men into the roadway. Gillespie and the other men climbed from their automobile, but none of them was armed and they hesitated when the three bandits drew revolvers. One of the four men fired at Gillespie but missed, and then they abandoned their car and started toward Paterson.

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